

Moderate Santa Ana Wind Event - Gusty Winds across Southern California Today through Wednesday

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# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

### **Weather of Concern**

#### Southwestern California – Fire Weather Conditions

Surface high pressure over the Great Basin and northeast winds aloft will bring periods of strong gusty Santa Ana winds to the mountains, coastal foothills and inland valleys today through Wednesday. The strongest winds are forecast to occur tonight through tomorrow evening. Humidity values will fall into the single digits each day with poor overnight recoveries through Thanksgiving. Offshore winds will continue; however, they are forecast to weaken on Thanksgiving.

### Potential Impacts Include:

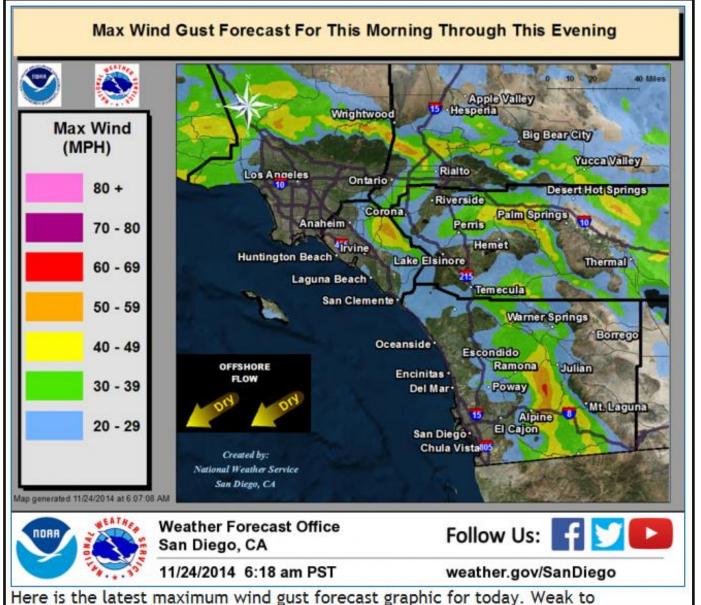
- Very low humidity combined with strong winds will create extreme fire behavior.
- Strong winds could cause isolated dames (trees, powerlines, property) in mountain communities.
- Blowing dust and low visibility are possible in the deserts.
- Travel will be difficult for high profile vehicles; especially in cross-winds.
- A Red Flag Warning is in effect until 1800 hours Wednesday for portions of Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.
- A Fire Weather Watch is in effect from late tonight through Wednesday afternoon for portions of Los Angeles and Ventura County coast and valley areas.
- A High Wind Warning is in effect until noon Wednesday for portions of Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories: <a href="http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\_bc\_cal.php">http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\_bc\_cal.php</a>

### Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

· SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

# SITUATION SUMMARY – WEATHER OF CONCERN



Moderate Santa Ana winds are expected through early evening.



# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

#### **Eureka Weather:**

A weak warm front may bring some light rain or sprinkles today for areas primarily north of Cape Mendocino. High pressure and dry conditions return Tuesday through Thursday morning. Wet weather returns Thursday afternoon into the weekend.

#### San Francisco Weather:

High pressure will bring sunny and seasonably warm weather today through Thanksgiving Day with dry weather for the Bay Area. The ridge will break down by Friday with rain chances increasing north of the Golden Gate by Friday evening. Rain chances will spread southward through the rest of the Bay Area and Central Coast Saturday into Sunday.

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

#### **Sacramento Weather:**

High pressure strengthens as it moves into the West Coast today and brings mild weather through Thanksgiving with above normal temperatures. Rain will possibly return to the forecast area by Friday or Saturday.

#### **Hanford Weather:**

High pressure will continue to build over the region bringing dry and mild conditions for the next several days with areas of fog in the valley each morning. The next frontal system will begin to impact central California by the end of the week.

# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

### Los Angeles Weather:

Skies will be mostly clear across the region this week. There will be gusty offshore winds through Wednesday as surface high pressure lingers in the Great Basin. An upper level ridge will bring a warming trend to the area with daytime temperatures rising to well above normal levels in most areas Monday through Thursday. Cooler weather is expected Friday and Saturday as an upper trough approaches the West Coast.

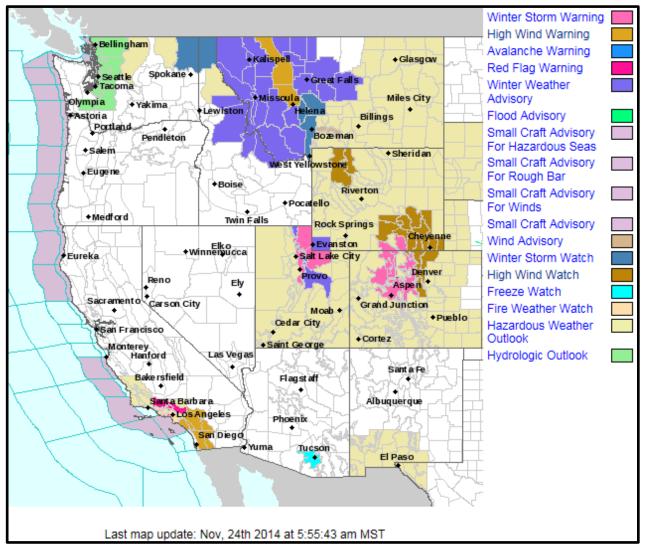
# Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

Surface high pressure over the Great Basin will bring periods of strong gusty Santa Ana winds through Wednesday with the strongest winds occurring tonight through Tuesday morning. Combined with high pressure aloft, this will bring a warming trend with well above average high temperatures west of the mountains. Onshore flow will return for Friday through next weekend with a cooling trend. A Pacific low pressure system for early next week has the potential to bring moderate to locally heavy precipitation amounts.

#### **Southeast California Weather:**

Dry air will continue to overspread the area today resulting in mostly clear skies and slightly below normal temperatures. Afternoon temperatures will peak in the upper 70s/lower 80s toward the end of the week as a strengthening ridge positions itself over the Desert Southwest.

# STATE WEATHER MAP



# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

# **Preparedness Levels**

**National Preparedness Level 1** 

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

**Southern California** 

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

**NWS California River Forecast Center:** 

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

## **Boles Incident Vegetation Fire- City of Weed, Siskiyou County**

### **Recovery Activities**

- On 10/01/14, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved a disaster declaration making SBA assistance available in the primary County of Siskiyou and the contiguous counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Modoc, Shasta, and Trinity, making low-interest federal disaster loans available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by the Boles Fire. The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is 12/01/14. The deadline to return economic injury applications is 07/01/15.
- On 10/06/14, the Governor issued Executive Order (EO) B-27-14, which provides CDAA, and debris removal assistance, including the suspension of rules and regulations impacting debris removal. The EO also provides the ability for nonprofit organizations to seek reimbursement for extraordinary activities through the State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program.
- The Cal OES VAL continues to coordinate and participate in Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) meetings with NGO, Faith Based, and local agencies. Shasta Community Foundation was identified as a fiscal agent for the group. Individuals needing assistance should be directed to the Family & Community Resource Center of Weed located at 260 Main Street, Weed. Funding organizations will assist with unmet needs through the case management process. The VAL continues to work with the Weed LTRG in identifying resources and gaps in services.
- The VAL participated in a meeting with the CA Human Development agency and the Great Northern Services (GNS) to discuss potential use of drought funding to assist fire survivors with rental and utility payments. Identified a gap in rental and utility assistance of \$65k. The information was forwarded to the California Housing and Community Development and Siskiyou County for consideration. On November 20, 2014, CA Human Development notified Cal OES and GNS that funding to assist residents was approved. CA Human Development will work with GNS and the LTRG to identify families needing assistance and subsequently meet individually with the families. Payments will be made directly to the landlord and or utility company. CA Human Development has requested assistance from GNS in identifying office space to meet with clients. The rental and utility needs of residents affected by the Happy Camp fire will also be captured.
- Based on an inquiry from the LTRG, the VAL reached out to the County Behavioral Health regarding funding to assist with mental health counseling for students affected by the Boles Fire. The County Behavioral Health is working with the Weed Family Resource Center to provide funding for Grief and Trauma counseling in the community.
- The College of the Siskiyou's website contains a Fire Resource List of various local agencies offering goods and services. The document can be found at <a href="http://www.siskiyous.edu/humanresources/documents/fireresourcelist.pdf">http://www.siskiyous.edu/humanresources/documents/fireresourcelist.pdf</a>. Additional information on recovery efforts can be found at <a href="https://weed.recovers.org/">https://weed.recovers.org/</a>.
- Food donations are being accepted at 310 Boles Street.
- The hazardous tree removal and erosion control processes have begun on properties where a Disposition of Tree Agreement (DTA) has been executed. Work is expected to be completed by 12/31/14.
- Debris removal for all participating properties is complete. Several properties tested higher than allowable for metals. Cal Recycle plans to perform additional scraping of these lots.
- On 10/28/14, the City of Weed reestablished water pressure to its downtown area; however, the water storage capacity for fire suppression is still lacking. The City expects water storage to be restored by 12/31/14, or sooner if the weather permits.



# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

### **Boles Incident Vegetation Fire- City of Weed, Siskiyou County**

### Cal Recycle reports:

Debris removal is completed on all 134 and 134 sites have met the cleanup goals for the project. The professional tree faller continues to remove large trees that are determined to be a hazard. The majority of the project is estimated to be completed by November 26, 2014, with a small crew returning on the first week of December to finish remaining tasks. A total of 29,651.21 tons of debris was removed (484.82 tons of metal delivered for recycling; 8,210.82 tons of concrete delivered for recycling; and 20,955.57 tons of debris, ash and soil delivered for disposal).

#### To date:

- 134 Sites registered for the removal project (Right-of-Entry, includes library, community center and 2 churches).
- 11 Sites denied entry.
- · 134 Sites documented.
- 134 Asbestos surveys completed.
- 65 Sites with asbestos containing material.
- 65 Sites cleared of asbestos containing material.
- · 134 Debris removal completed.
- · 134 Sites sampled.
- · 126 Sample results approved.
- 122 Sites with erosion control completed.
- 122 Sites approved by City of Weed as ready for a building permit.

### **Cal OES Deployments**

One (1) Cal OES Recovery staff is assigned.



# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

### Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals
  and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters
  recover from the earthquake.
- Low-interest federal disaster loans are now available to California residents and business owners as a result of President Obama's
  major disaster declaration. The declaration covers Napa and Solano counties as a result of the South Napa Earthquake and
  aftershocks that occurred August 24 September 7, 2014.

### **Recovery Activities**

- The deadline for Cal OES to submit the Request for Public Assistance of potential applicants to be considered for reimbursement for this event ended, 10/24/14. Sixty-one (61) RPAs have been were received and nine (9) have withdrawn for a total of fifty-two (52) RPAs submitted to FEMA. Forty-one (41) Kickoff Meetings have been completed and five (5) kick-off meetings have been scheduled for this week and next week. There are three (3) kickoff meetings yet to be scheduled for PNPs that have now been approved. It is currently scheduled that all kickoff meetings will be complete by 12/5/2014..
- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa County regarding Long Term Recovery efforts and the need for a LTR group. Local representatives are meeting to discuss previous efforts by the initial LTRG that is no longer operational.
- Cal OES IA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) continues NGO coordination in Solano County. The Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG), a long term recovery group, has formed and has established by-laws and elected an Executive Board. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will provide case management training to local organizations in Napa and Solano counties.
- Local Assistance Center (LAC): County and City of Napa: LAC opened on 09/08/14 at 301 1st Street, Napa (corner of 1st Street and Silverado Trail). On October 29, 2014, FEMA and SBA provided representatives in the Napa LAC. On October 30, 2014, the Disaster Recovery Center in the City of Vallejo opened. The LAC and DRC are open until further notice. The operational hours for both centers are Monday Friday 9 AM to 6 PM; Saturdays 9 AM to 4 PM; Sundays closed; In addition, both centers will be closed on November 27, 2014, and November 28, 2014, in observation of Thanksgiving.
- The California Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) have partnered with SBA and are providing services at no charge to assist small businesses impacted by the disaster with financial counseling, management and technical assistance, business planning, reconstructing damaged or destroyed business records, rewriting business plans, etc.



# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

### Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency Monday and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.

# **CAL OES MISSIONS**

# **Ongoing Cal OES Mission**

 2014-LAW-7594, 11/22/14 1734 hours, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) advised of an ELT sounding at Sonoma County Airport. AFRCC has activated a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Incident Commander (IC) to locate and silence the device. Mission Ongoing

### **Closed Cal OES Mission**

• 2014-LAW-7607, 11/23/14 1445 hours, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) advised of an ELT sounding near the Fullerton Airport in Orange County. AFRCC has activated a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Incident Commander (IC) to locate and silence the device. Update: 11/23/14 2232 hours, AFRCC advised ELT located and silenced, non-distress. Mission Closed



# Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.